

Bates or old shop place, I saw a rope near there tied around a dogwood. didn't find it myself but saw it soon after; the branches of the trees near appeared to be nipped off. The end of the rope appeared to be chewed - it was of flat & corresponded with the other end at Wilson Foster's. I think the rope we found was Foster's - I had seen his mare tied with such a rope before, some two hundred yards from the dogwood tree, on the same side that is the left hand side, of the Stoney Fork Road. I saw another place, where were signs of a horse having been hitched there. Near this place was a discolored spot of ground, over which some twigs had been piled up; the bushes near had been broken off. It appeared to be hanging down; the discoloration of the ground at this spot extended the width of my hand. The smell of the earth was offensive & differed from that of the surrounding earth. I knew Laura Foster I saw the dead body; I thought from her cheek bones & her teeth & from the dress, that it was her body, it had on a homespun dress which I thought I knew.

Cross Examined, Laura's teeth were large I don't think there was any space between them, I saw no horse tracks around the dogwood